

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A sound reproduction apparatus includes a digital memory and a specified reproduced frame number decoding section. The digital memory stores audio data such as MP3 data. The specified reproduced frame number decoding section decodes specified frames and outputs reproduced sound. The sound reproduction apparatus further includes a reproduced frame number setting section and a skipped frame number setting section that contain a reproduced frame number and a skipped frame number, respectively. When a fast forward/reverse instruction section instructs the fast forward, the specified reproduced frame number decoding section decodes only the reproduced frames and outputs reproduced sound at a higher speed than a normal speed. The sound reproduction apparatus can freely change the reproduced frame number and skipped frame number, and hence can vary the speed of the fast forward. Thus, it can reach a desired reproduction position in a shorter time, and has better operability than a conventional sound reproduction apparatus.

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